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1. Prior to 18 October 1953, the Nachrichtenschule in Koenigsbrueck was occupied by an estimated 500 soldiers wearing red-bordered black epaulets. About 70 percent had tank insignia. At 9 p.m. on 8 October, 2nd T-34/85 tanks

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left the installation toward Neues Lager. On 9 October, 21 T-34 tanks and, on 10 October, another 21 T-34 tanks moved toward Neues Lager and returned at about 4:30 a.m. At 6:20 a.m. on 11 October, four units each of 100 soldiers carrying field equipment left the installation. No training activity was observed in the barracks installation during the period under review.

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2. Prior to 18 October, the Altes Lager was occupied by about 200 soldiers wearing red-bordered black epaulets. The installation apparently included a spare parts depot for tanks in addition to the fuel depot which was previously observed. At 9 a.m. on 11 October, two units, each of 100 soldiers, marched toward Neues Lager, leaving only sentries at the installation until their return at noon. Trucks and tank trucks were seen driving to the Altes Lager.²

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3. On 8 and 9 October, artillery firing of small calibers and firing of rocket launchers was heard day and night from the training area. On 10 October, there was no activity in the training area. Trucks

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and sedan were seen driving to the Neues Lager. On 15 October, Highway No 97 was released for through-traffic.

4. from 7 to 11 October, about 23 shipments of tanks, artillery, rocket launchers and mortars were loaded on the Koenigsbrueck-Strassgraebchen railroad line. Most of the shipments were loaded in Schwepnitz on 11 and 12 October. Most of the trains went toward Hohenbocka-Senftenberg. Shipments observed in Koenigsbrueck included:

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8 October. A train consisting of an undetermined number of flatcars carrying about 30 trucks with covered numbers and billeting equipment and 12 boxcars carrying soldiers wearing red-bordered black epaulets which departed toward Schwepnitz at 9:20 a.m. During the night, a train consisting of 13 boxcars and 25 flatcars with sideracks carrying trucks departed toward Schwepnitz. Another train carrying 12 SP guns was seen.

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10 October. Various equipment was detrained at the two railroad stations.

12 October. Fuel was unloaded from two tank cars to tank trucks [redacted] Trucks [redacted] hauled motors and other spare parts from the railroad station.³

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1. [redacted] Comment. The occupation seems to be unchanged. [redacted]
2. [redacted] Comment. A spare parts depot for tanks is reported for the first time. 25X1
3. [redacted] Comment. [redacted] among others, four shipments and two shipments were dispatched respectively to military posts of the 8th Gds Mezz Div and Meissen from the Koenigsbrueck area between 7 and 10 October.

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